Statement, by caste, of appointments made by the Registration Director, District and Sub-Registrars during 1105-1107.

282. **MR. P. S. MAHOMED** (*Nominated*): Will the Government be pleased to lay on the table:

(*a*) a statement, by caste, of appointments made since 1105 up to the end of Kumbham 1107 by—

(i) the Registration Director;
(ii) each District Registrar; and
(iii) each Sub-Registrar; and

(*b*) a statement showing the number of applications put in by Muslims since 1105 up to the end of Kumbham 1107 before—

(i) the Registration Director;
(ii) District Registrars; and
(iii) Sub-Registrars?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*): (*a*) and (*b*) Statements* containing the information required are laid on the table.

Condition of labourers.

283. **MR. P. S. MAHOMED** (*Nominated*): Are the Government aware that labourers in the State are suffering much on account of the present economic depression?

MR. A. KUMARA PILLAI (*Secretary to Government*): Labourers have been affected by the general economic depression in common with the other classes of people in the State.

Extension of the Attikada channel.

284. **MR. K. NARAYANAPERUMAL NADAR** (*Agastisvaram*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether there was a proposal to extend the tail-end of the Attikada channel;

(*b*) whether there was any petition from the people of Attikada, Vadalikadu, Keerivila, Tikkalenvila, Oodangattuvila, Mangavila and other places, for the extension of the channel; and

(*c*) whether shortage of water in the Krishnanputur *kal* would be remedied by the extension of the Attikada channel?

MR. A. KUMARA PILLAI (*Secretary to Government*): (*a*) No.

(*b*) Yes.

(*c*) Yes; but that will not be the proper remedy as the quantity of water now run in the channel is the maximum that could be spared for it and is just sufficient for the conversions made under it.

Provision of funds for the Ranni-Valiakavu road.

285. **MR. K. KRISHNAN NAYAR** (*Pattanamtitta*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether there was provision for the improvement of the Ranni-Valiakavu reserve road in the budget estimates of the Executive Engineer, Kottayam, for the years 1106 and 1107;

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[Mr. K. Krishnan Nayar.]

(*b*) whether the Chief Engineer had included it in the budget for 1106 ; and

(*c*) if not, the reason for the same ?

MR. A. KUMARA PILLAI (*Secretary to Government*) : (*a*) A provision was made in the Budget for 1107.

(*b*) No.

(*c*) There was neither administrative nor technical sanction for the work at that time.

MR. K. KRISHNAN NAYAR (*Pattanamtitta*): With reference to the answer to part (*c*), am I to understand that there is administrative and technical sanction for the work now ?

MR. A. KUMARA PILLAI (*Secretary to Government*) : Subsequently, the Division Officer, Kottayam, submitted an estimate for Rs. 4,200 for improvements to the more useful portions of the road by cutting and lowering high ground and raising low portions, etc. and sanction was accorded.

MR. K. KRISHNAN NAYAR (*Pattanamtitta*) : May I know why it was not included in the Budget for 1106 ?

MR. A. KUMARA PILLAI (*Secretary to Government*) : For reasons of financial stringency.

MR. K. KRISHNAN NAYAR (*Pattanamtitta*) : That is the only ground?

MR. A. KUMARA PILLAI (*Secretary to Government*) : Yes.

Improvement of the Karingalichal todu.

286. **MR. RAMA VARMA RAJA** (*Edavagai*) : Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) whether the work of improving the Karingalichal *todu* has been completed ; and

(*b*) if the answer to part (*a*) is in the negative, the reason for the delay ?

MR. A. KUMARA PILLAI (*Secretary to Government*) : (*a*) No. The work is in progress.

(*b*) During actual execution some deviations were found necessary which necessitated a revision of the estimate. The revised estimate is being examined by the Chief Engineer. After the revised estimate is sanctioned the work will be proceeded with and completed.

MR. RAMA VARMA RAJA (*Edavagai*) : Part (*b*). "During actual execution some deviations were found necessary which necessitated a revision of the estimate" ഇതെന്നാണ കണ്ടുപിടിച്ചത് ?

MR. A. KUMARA PILLAI (*Secretary to Government*) : ഇവിടത്തെ റിക്കാർഡുകൊണ്ട് അതു മനസ്സിലാകുന്നില്ല.

MR. RAMA VARMA RAJA (*Edavagai*): ഇവിടത്തെ റിക്കാർഡുകൊണ്ട് എന്തു മനസ്സിലാകുന്നു എന്നു പറഞ്ഞുകേൾപ്പിച്ചാൽ അടുത്ത പ്രാവശ്യം ചോദിക്കാം.

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